

# Howard County Opioid Scorecard

## October-December 2018



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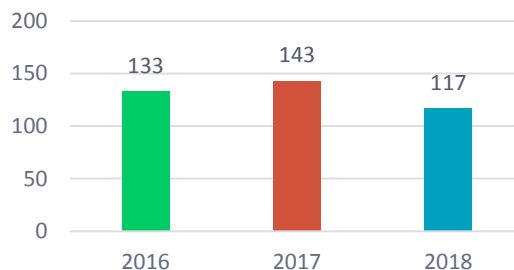
### GOALS

Goal	Benchmark *	October - December 2018
Reduce the number of overdose deaths <sup>1</sup>	10.75	9
Reduce the number of non-fatal overdoses <sup>2</sup>	41	44
Increase the number of Howard County residents entering substance use disorder treatment <sup>3</sup>	33**	37
Reduce the number of opioid-related ED visits <sup>4</sup>	32.75	24
Reduce the rate of opioid prescription fills per 1000 <sup>5</sup>	98.70	85.95

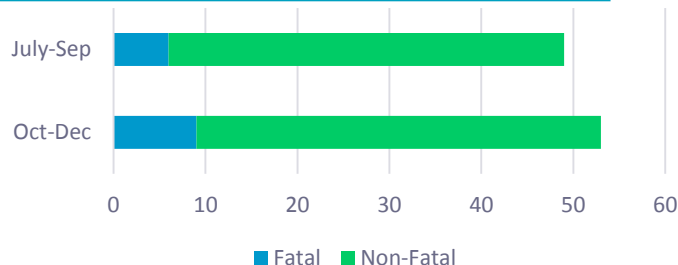
\*Benchmarks are based upon an average value across CY 2016-2018. These benchmarks will be updated and recalculated on a rolling basis with each scorecard update as data becomes available.

\*\* Data is not available prior to July 2018

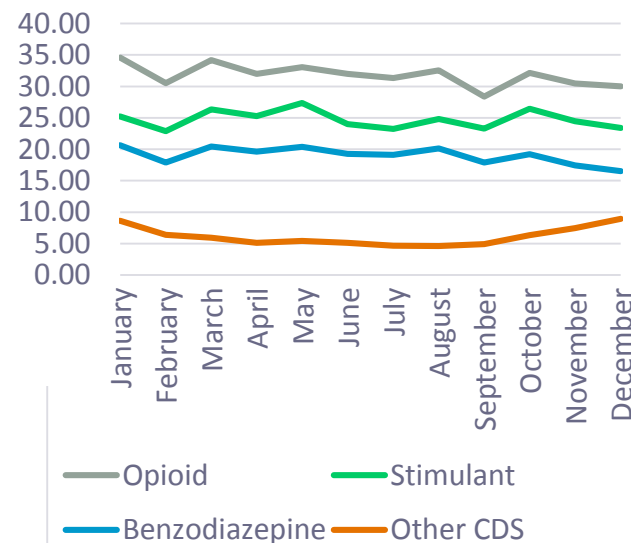
### HOSPITAL OPIOID VISITS<sup>4</sup>



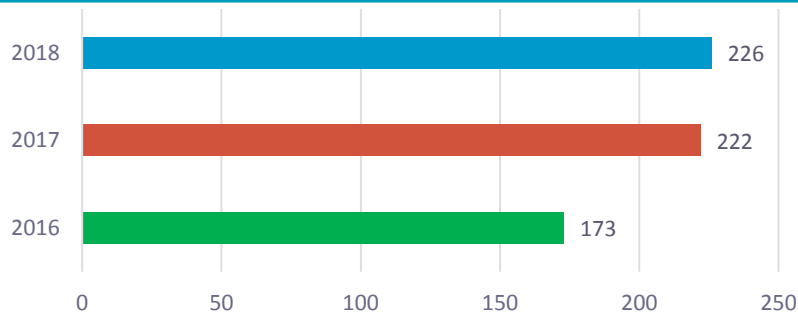
### FATAL VERSUS NON-FATAL<sup>1</sup>



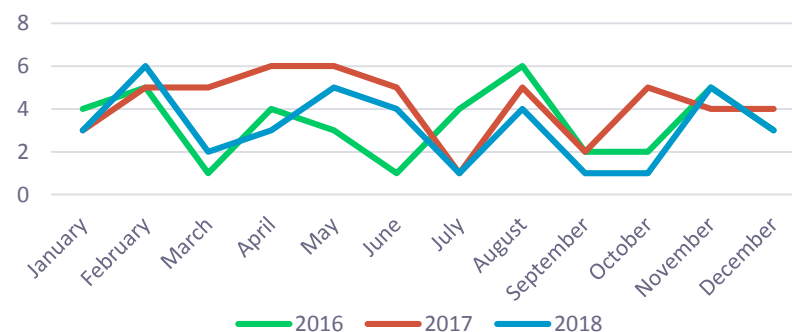
### 2018 PRESCRIPTION FILLS PER 1000<sup>5</sup>



### TOTAL OVERDOSES (FATAL & NON-FATAL)<sup>1</sup>



### FATAL OVERDOSES<sup>1</sup>



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### HARM REDUCTION / PREVENTION



- **1400 Howard County residents were trained** in our Overdose Response Program (ORP) in the last 6 months and **over 800 Narcan kits were distributed**.
- HCHD hosted **Living Well Chronic Pain Self Management** facilitator training, which focuses on providing alternatives to using opioids for those suffering from chronic pain. **Twelve facilitators** were trained to provide this seminar series to county residents.
- **Guiding Good Choices**, a 6 week evidence-based course, is designed to provide skills to parents to strengthen family ties to reduce adolescent substance use. **One cycle** of GGC was held between October and December 2018.

### PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS



Over the last quarter Howard County Health Department conducted an evaluation of its communication campaigns. Part of this evaluation included an online survey that you may have participated in.

- **Respondents to the survey overwhelmingly supported the idea behind "Parents/Grandparents"**, believing that medication monitoring is an important message to promote. However, HCHD also received feedback that the language was sometimes confusing and indirect, so **HCHD is currently working on revamping some of our messaging to the community**.

### Sources

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## Oct-Dec 2018



10

Community Presentations

400

SBIRT Screenings\*



390+

Opioid communications  
survey responses

2

EBPs\* available for HoCo  
Residents



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\*Screening Brief Intervention Referral to Treatment  
\*Evidence Based Programs